

## FLAMES WIPE OUT SUMMER RESORT

Half Million Dollar Conflagration Destroys Hotels.

## FIFTY ACRES IN ALL DEVASTATED

All the Hotels Were Filled With Summer Guests, Most of Whom Saved Their Personal Effects—List of Burned Properties.

OLD ORCHARD, MAINE, August 15. Nearly one-half of Old Orchard's summer hotel section along the shore front was swept by fire to-night, the loss probably amounting to fully half a million dollars. So far as known, no lives were lost. The Hotel Fiske, one of the finest on the beach, valued at \$50,000; the Hotel Emerson, valued at \$75,000, with its furnishings; the Hotel Albert, the Aldine, the Lawrence House and a half dozen smaller hotels, together with about 50 cottages, were destroyed within two hours. All the buildings are of wooden construction, and before the flames, fanned by a southwesterly breeze, were an easy prey.

The fire was discovered about 5 o'clock in the Olympia Hotel Annex, which was occupied mainly by servants employed in the Hotel Emerson. Adjoining buildings containing stores located along the boardwalk, beside the Boston and Maine Railroad tracks, soon caught fire, and from these the flames jumped the tracks and communicated with the Albert Hotel and several other large buildings near the shore. An area of about fifty acres along the beach was soon blazing. In this space were located some of the most popular of the hotels, all of which were filled to overflowing with summer guests. Many valuable summer cottages were located in this district.

Most of the guests managed to save a considerable quantity of their personal effects.

From the Hotel Emerson the fire leaped across the main avenue leading from the railroad station to the shore and attacked the Hotel Seaside. This big structure was totally destroyed. The Old Orchard House and other buildings on the edge of the camp-ground plateau overlooking the beach were saved. The central office of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Postal and Western Union Telegraph Companies and several stores were destroyed.

## PICTURE OF GIRL TOOK HIS FANCY

Young Man from Richmond Weds in Chicago as Result Romance.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CHICAGO, ILL., August 15.—Romance entered considerably into the marriage here yesterday of Miss Bessie Le Vine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Le Vine, and Samuel Kaplan, son of a Richmond, Va., merchant, who is in business as a photographer. The December newspaper printed Miss Le Vine's picture, she having been held up and robbed. Kaplan saw it, and started correspondence, which resulted in his coming here recently and their meeting for the first time. As a result they went out yesterday and were married.

## TAFI TO SPEND A FEW DAYS IN JAPAN

Will Stop Off at Yokohama on His Way to the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—Secretary Taft will spend three or four days at Yokohama, Japan, on his way to the Philippines. He will disembark from the regular line steamer at Yokohama and remain there until the time for the departure of the steamer for Manila, which leaves from Kobe, to which place the Secretary will go by rail from Yokohama. Yesterday Mr. Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, had a brief talk with the Secretary about his coming trip, the object of which was to offer the facilities of the Japanese government in regard to the railroad terminal at Niuehang, but as the Secretary is going instead to Vladivostok direct from Manila in an American vessel, the Ambassador's offer was declined with thanks.

## RUSSO-JAPANESE TREATY SIGNED

The Pact Secures the Independence and Territorial Integrity of China.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 15.—The text of the Russo-Japanese treaty recognizing the independence and territorial integrity of the Chinese Empire, and pledging the two countries to the maintenance of the status quo, which was signed on July 30th last, was made public to-day, and was well received on all sides. In their estimates of the results, the conservative and liberal newspapers display remarkable unanimity in agreeing that it establishes the relations between the two powers on a sound basis, guaranteeing unbroken peace for a long period.

## CAROLINA TAKES SHOW BY STORM

Estimated That Not Less Than 60,000 People Attend Exposition.

## CHEER GLENN MOST HEARTILY

His Popularity Manifested by Striking Ovation When He Arose to Speak—President Tucker Says North Carolina Does Best of All.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION GROUNDS, August 15.—It remained for North Carolina to arise in her patriotism and give the Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition the heartiest support that the celebration has yet had.

Great is North Carolina. The Carolinians made good the boasts of some of them that North Carolina Day would be the biggest day in point of attendance at the exposition to date. And what makes a fair successful, anyway, if it isn't attendance? And there was no booming of cannon, parade and illumination of a great international fleet of war-ships or presence of national figures or foreign potentates save two American Governors to attract crowds. The people of the Old North State just came to the Jamestown Exposition, thousands and thousands of them, as many as the railroads could bring. These getting in this morning report that other thousands were left standing on the depot platforms by trains already loaded to their capacity.

## Prosperous-Looking People.

There have been days when more soldiers and sailors have been seen marching on Lee Parade, when the men of the United States and foreign lands have united there, but never before to-day has such a lot of plain, substantial, prosperous-looking American citizens gathered in the Exposition Grounds as were here from North Carolina to-day. But North Carolina had her soldiers and naval militia here, too. Had the trains been able to bring all who wanted to come there is no telling how many people would have been here. Governor Glenn was proud at the showing of his State. Exposition President Harry St. George Tucker acknowledged that North Carolina had outdone all other States in observing her day at Jamestown. The people commenced coming into the grounds early and kept it up until late.

The official exercises of the day started at 11 o'clock, when Governor Glenn and his staff, escorted by a detachment of the Twelfth United States Cavalry and a squad company of the First North Carolina Infantry, left the North Carolina Exposition Building for the Auditorium.

At the Auditorium the loyalty of the Carolinians to their Governor and the exposition was impressively illustrated. Before the Governor and his party had arrived the big building was chock-a-block with Carolinians and still they were lined up on the outside, hundreds, even thousands, of them clamoring for admission.

The Powhatan Guard had to open up a way for the Governor and his party to enter. Loud cheering commenced when the Governor was yet a block away from the building, and it kept up for some time after he had been seated on the stage. Virginia's Chief Executive was also cheered to the echo, perhaps no less enthusiastically than was their own fighting Governor.

President G. S. Powell, of the North Carolina commission to the exposition, was master of ceremonies at the Auditorium. Bishop Chesler, of North Carolina, was first introduced and opened the exercises with a short prayer, and following the invocation, the band of the Third North Carolina Infantry played a selection.

The first speaker of the day, President Tucker, was visibly af-

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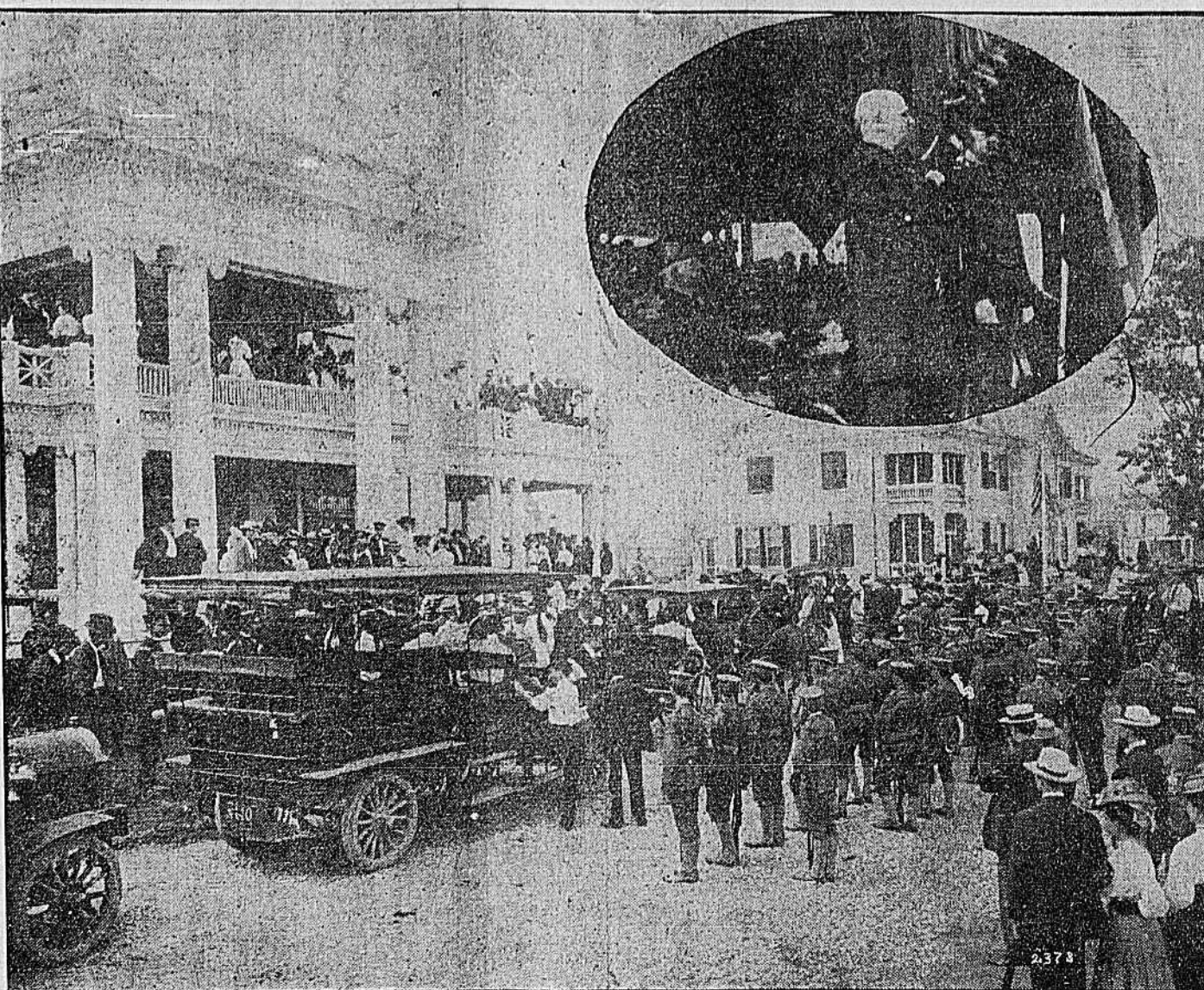
## PASSENGERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Bullet Crashes Through C. & O. Car Window and Comes Near Striking Preacher.

Rev. Martin Johnson, a well-known minister of Goochland county, and other passengers on the Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving here over the James River division at 5:15 o'clock Wednesday evening, had a narrow escape from being struck by a bullet which crashed through the window of the car in which they were seated.

The train was on the river trestle about opposite Belle Isle when the shot was fired, and but for the fact that Mr. Johnson was at the time leaning forward talking to Judge T. Ashby Wickham, who was on a seat just ahead, he would almost certainly have been killed. Mr. O. B. Taylor, of Sabot, was on the seat across the aisle from Mr. Johnson, and he happened to be likewise leaning forward talking to Major M. J. Knight. The ball shattered the glass in the window on the left of Mr. Johnson, and flew through the opposite one which was open, passing just back of the heads of these two gentlemen. Had they been sitting erect instead of leaning forward it looks as if one or probably both might have been killed or severely wounded. The shot seemed to have come from the direction of Belle Isle, and it is not thought that it was fired at the train. Still the incident created a good deal of confusion on the train, when the first station, D. Y., was reached, the conductor wired back to Richmond and detectives were put upon the case.

## FEATURES IN NORTH CAROLINA CELEBRATION AT EXPOSITION



The larger illustration shows Governor Glenn and party leaving the Carolina State Building for the Auditorium, where the exercises were held. In the smaller cut is Governor Glenn viewing the parade.

## LEGAL BATTLE ON MRS. EDDY'S SANITY

Judge Aldrich's Ruling as to What Is Admissible Excepted To.

## SCIENCE IS NOT RELIGION

Attorney Howe Characterizes It as a System of Medicine Instead.

CONCORD, N. H., August 15.—The term "general insanity," as applied to the condition of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy by Dewitt C. Howe, counsel for the plaintiff in the accounting suit brought against Mrs. Eddy, was formally withdrawn by Mr. Howe at today's hearing before the masters who are considering the question of the Christian Science leader's competency. Mr. Howe explained that, while the courts of this and other States use this phrase repeatedly to describe such condition, it is not the technical term used by alienists.

At this point Judge Aldrich, speaking for the masters, said that the question to be determined is that of competency to manage property, not one of insanity, general delusion, or religious delusion. "We will show, your Honor," declared Mr. Howe, "that a monomania on the part of Mrs. Eddy, but a condition of insanity which influences every action of her life."

Religious Phase Not Issue.

Judge Aldrich asked if the masters had any more right to decide against the Christian Science as a religion than against Catholicism or Spiritualism. "Christian Science is a system of medicine, not a religion," replied Mr. Howe.

"So far as Christian Science is speculation, it cannot be called a delusion, for it is based upon supposed facts, which can be proved not to be facts, then it is a delusion." Mr. Howe sought to differentiate between beliefs which are speculation entirely, and, therefore, not capable of proof, and those which are susceptible of proof. As a step in the proof that the alleged delusions affect Mrs. Eddy's feelings toward her relatives, Howe claimed that it is competent to show how these delusions affected her feelings toward her most intimate friends and first supporters.

Huling as to Evidence.

At the afternoon session Judge Aldrich, for the masters, made the following ruling: "We are all of the opinion that the evidence tending to show that Mrs. Eddy is in a delusional mental condition in respect to forces operating upon her relatives and next friends and through them upon her business, if of a character to show mental impairment and to influence her in business affairs, is admissible. This is limited to alleged delusions which reasonably connect themselves with respect to the management of property affairs. The majority of the board think that as these alleged delusions relate to conditions of mental prejudice going back to 1890 it is not remote."

To this ruling both sides excepted.

Effect of Ruling.

The ruling shut out most of the depositions taken in Boston, but under it were introduced various letters written by Mrs. Eddy to Rev. Dr. Nixon, who, in 1890, was in charge of the company who violated the laws, despite the action of the Federal courts.

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## DR. CARTER WADE KILLED BY TRAIN

Former Richmond Man Meets Sudden Death in Michigan.

## NO DETAILS OF ACCIDENT

Relatives Unable to Learn the Facts—Expected That Body Will Be Brought Here.

News has been received here of the death of Dr. Carter Wade, formerly of Richmond, at Wakefield, Mich., where the meagre telegram sent by the station agent at that place to Miss Ellen H. Wade, of 107 North Fourth Street, stated that he was killed on Tuesday by a train. The exact time and the manner of the unfortunate man's death was not stated, nor has it since been learned, owing to the somewhat defective telegraph service.

It was because of the fact that it was what is known as a "death message" that the telegram was received at the house, otherwise it might have been indefinitely delayed.

Miss Wade was away in Salem, Mass., when the telegram was received, and in her absence it was opened by Miss Harvie, an aunt of the deceased man, who lives in the same home.

The station agent stated simply that Dr. Wade had been killed, and then asked what disposition the relatives wanted made of the body. Miss Harvie telegraphed in reply, asking that the remains be sent to Richmond. Since that time no message in reply has been received, and Miss Harvie also wrote to the station agent. The relatives of the dead man are much concerned to know when to expect the body.

Though formerly of Richmond, Dr. Wade has spent some years in Chicago, where he traveled for some time. It is supposed that he was traveling when he met with the accident that resulted in his death. Dr. Wade was the son of the Rev. Anderson Wade, and the grandson of General Jacquelin Harvie. He was well known in this city, though having removed to Chicago some years ago.

## STOP LOW RATE BY INJUNCTION

Louisville and Nashville Secures Restraining Order in Federal Court.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., August 15.—An injunction was procured last night by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from Judge Jones, of the United States court, restraining the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from enforcing the commodity freight rate law and the 2-1-2 cent passenger rate law until the Federal courts have passed on the validity of these acts. Every sheriff in Alabama and every solicitor are restrained from arresting or indicting employees of the company who violate the terms of the acts.

This is a challenge to Governor Comer, who recently announced that he would arrest and prosecute every railroad which violated the laws, despite the action of the Federal courts.

## DENIES STORY AS TO E. H. HARRIMAN

Bonaparte Says Those Who Have Not Violated Law Are Immune.

## CONFERENCE ON ALTON CASE

Policy of Government as to Criminal Prosecutions to Be Outlined.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—Announcement was made to-day by Attorney-General Bonaparte that an important conference would take place next Monday at the Department of Justice, in which the subject of the promise of immunity from prosecution given to the Chicago and Alton Railway officials by the then District Attorney Morrison would be discussed. The Attorney-General declined to discuss at this time what further action he intended to take against corporations that he believed to be in violation of the law.

"Is it possible for you to indicate what suits, if any, the Department of Justice may institute against corporations or individuals?" he was asked.

"I cannot discuss that matter at all. I will say this. There is no reason for any officer of any corporation or enterprise whatsoever to apprehend trouble with this department if he is quite sure he has not violated the law."

Attorney-General Bonaparte was asked what action, if any, might be anticipated by the Department of Justice against Edward H. Harriman further than the proceedings instituted against him and Mr. Kahn in the United States District Court in New York to compel them to answer questions propounded by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"That is a subject which I cannot talk about," he replied. "I now am considering the results of the commission on the Harriman case. I have reached no conclusion." He was reminded that an official statement had been made public recently by the Department of Justice, in which it was said that "no other proceedings against him (Harriman) and no proceedings against the Union Pacific have even been determined upon or are under consideration."

"That statement was not authorized," Attorney-General Bonaparte responded. "As to the Harriman case, I can say no more than that it is being considered."

## WETMORE'S SON ARRESTED FOR INJURY TO A WOMAN

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—Roger Wetmore, son of Senator Wetmore, of Rhode Island, was arrested here to-day charged with having run down and seriously injured Mrs. Mary Chase with his automobile yesterday. The woman is in a serious condition, but it is believed she will recover.

## WOMAN SHOTS AND KILLS HER HUSBAND

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., August 15.—James A. Conley was shot and killed at No. 88 Commerce Street this afternoon by his wife, Mrs. Conley. The man came home at 2 o'clock and found the door of the house locked. He was climbing through a window when the woman shot him. It is said another man was the cause of the trouble. The woman was arrested.

An Heir for the Astors.

LONDON, August 15.—Mrs. Walter Astor (formerly Mrs. Natalie Langhorne Shaw of Virginia) gave birth to a son at Cliveden yesterday.

## TRAIN BACKS INTO CROWDED TROLLEY

Three Passengers Killed and Four Others Are Seriously Injured.

## HOLD FLAGMAN RESPONSIBLE

He Signals Both a Clear Track. Trolley Conductor Is Wanted, Too.

NEW YORK, August 15.—A work train on the Long Island Railroad backed into a crowded street car at a crossing on Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, to-day, hurling the trolley from its tracks and causing the death of three passengers and the injury of sixteen others.

The dead: OSCAR JOHNSON, aged nineteen years, killed outright. Mrs. ANNA COHAN, aged forty years, died while being removed to a hospital.

Identified man, about twenty-two years of age, believed to be a painter, died while being taken to a hospital. Of the injured, James Ducey, Fritz Gerhard, Herbert Rex and Mary Zelich required hospital treatment. The others were attended by ambulance surgeons.

The crossing at this point is hidden from distant view on the one side by a board fence and on the other by a row of trees. Stationed at the crossing is a flagman, who, according to the motorman and the engineer of the work train, signalled each a clear track. All three of the men were arrested.

The conductor of the trolley car could not be found following the accident. He is charged by the contractor for whom the work train was being operated with having violated the rules of the street car company in having failed to run ahead and make a high board fence was clear before sending his car over the crossing.

The fatally injured suffered fractured skulls or internal injuries. Those at hospitals sustained broken bones and contusions, but probably will recover. All were residents of Brooklyn.

## QUARREL OVER JUG, FATHER KILLS SON

Tazewell Rutledge Stabs Youth to Death in Presence of Mother and Sister.

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., August 15.—Details of a horrible crime have just reached this city, in which a father is the slayer of his own son. Tazewell Rutledge, a respected farmer of this county, and his son, Arthur, visited Crane Creek. After reaching their home they became involved in a quarrel over the proprietorship of the jug. The dispute finally ended in the father thrusting his pocket-knife in his son's stomach, inflicting a wound from which the son died a few minutes later, before surgical aid could be procured. The father, after realizing his deed, fled and was later captured and taken to Princeton, the county seat, and lodged in jail.

The mother and sister of the young man witnessed the tragedy and pleaded with the father not to kill the boy.

## STRIKE SITUATION GROWS BETTER HERE

Both Companies Report Marked Improvement in Service.

## FOUR MEN APPLY FOR OLD PLACES

One of the Former Operators Taken Back—Associated Press Service Greatly Improved. No General Strike Order Has Been Issued as Yet.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 15.—S. J. Smith, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union at 1:30 o'clock this morning issued a general order to all commercial telegraphers to cease work immediately where contracts with union have not been signed.

While the volume of business to be transmitted over the telegraph wires from Richmond yesterday was far below that of normal times, it was handled expeditiously and in a manner which indicated that locally, at least, the backbone of the strike was broken. There have been no important developments within the past twenty-four hours, the Western Union, however, finding its main trouble due to the fact that operators at junction points have continued to open wires, thus rendering them dead and useless. These men are employed by the railroads, and at small stations they take care of railroad and commercial messages. Unless the practice ends to-day the company will send linemen to the affected points to cut out commercial wires.

No attempt has been made to force an issue between the Western Union and the railroad companies, although Secretary Quick, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, has issued formal notice to the men that they are to work as heretofore, without regard to any strike of which they are not a part.

## Operators Apply for Work.

Four operators who walked out of the Western Union office on Tuesday applied for reinstatement yesterday, and one was accepted. Superintendent Maxwell said last night that the force at present was amply sufficient. No others have quit, and the wires have been kept open, particularly with leading offices of Eastern and Western.

Superintendent Ribble, of the Postal Company, reported that the business yesterday was two-thirds normal, and to-day he will, he says, have additional help.

Absolutely no disturbances occurred yesterday or the day before, and the strikers have conducted themselves in a clean and dignified manner. They have used every effort to persuade such working operators as they could reach to quit—a fact which they do not attempt to deny. But they have met with no success here.

The one exception heretofore was reported yesterday from Petersburg, Va., where the Postal Company, the Index-Appeal office having walked out. The Index-Appeal, however, did not suffer serious inconvenience, for the operator on the Associated Press wire in The Times-Dispatch office made two copies, sending one to Petersburg by train and street car.

After midnight the service was continued by telegraph and telephone. The press service is steadily improving, and has about worked itself back to what it was before the strike was ordered.

## Places Quickly Filled.

Superintendent Maxwell was advised yesterday that the office at Hot Springs, Va., had been closed, but an operator was sent there from Richmond last night and it will be open for business as usual this morning. The manager at Anderson, S. C., quit yesterday, and that too, when he was shortly to be promoted. Charlotte, N. C., supplied a substitute and he reached Anderson last night.

## Excitement at Bluefield.

The most exciting Western Union story of the day came from Bluefield, W. Va. When the entire force, man and all, walked out, Superintendent Maxwell hurried an operator on the first train and he wired back that a crowd had surrounded the building, threatening violence. A message was immediately rushed to the Mayor of Bluefield, demanding protection, and this was promptly assured. The operator relieved the feeling of his friends here by telegraphing that he was holding the fort and that he expected to keep on holding it, without fear of any attack.

## Strikers Silent Now.

For the strikers, C. S. Hervey, who has been delegated to represent them, gave a long statement to the afternoon papers yesterday morning. Last night he stated that he had nothing further to add to it, and that the former operators would leave discussion to other sources.

## Position of Leased Wire Men.

All of the brokerage establishments, served by leased wires, were open for business as usual. The brokerage operators have not been ordered out, the statement being made that the brokers employing them, who pay the wages, have signed the scale. While Creed Haskins, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, of Richmond, is still at work, his friends want it understood that he is keeping faith with the union. They are afraid that a statement printed in this newspaper yesterday may be confusing, but, to set the matter clear, it is only fair to Mr. Haskins to say that he is preserving the rules of his association.

## Decrease in Business.

It is rather difficult to figure on or estimate the actual decrease in the